

Erie County Opiate Epidemic Task Force

Work Group Monthly Report

Work Group Name: Provider Education and Policy Reform.

Work Group Leader: Dr Gale Burstein.

Work Group Chair: Dr Gale Burstein, co chair Dr Paul Updike.

Work Group Meeting Schedule: (E-C Fire Training Academy-dates/location subject to change)

Summary of meetings/Activities:

- February 28 and March 4th Follow up 2 hour Buprenorphine prescribing training @ Catholic Health headquarters to provide buprenorphine certified physicians guidance and mentoring and linkages to co-manage patients with substance abuse treatment centers.
 - Speaker: Dr Paul Updike.
 - Will follow up in 2 months with survey to assess if participants started prescribing buprenorphine.
- Several conference calls with OASAS regarding OASAS certification for pediatric SBIRT training of trainers (TOT)
 - OASAS has certified Boston' Children's adolescent SBIRT TOT so that trained pediatricians will be OASAS-certified SBIRT trainers
 - SBIRT TOT scheduled for May 6-7
 - Tower funding support
 - OASAS providing informational resources
- Several conference calls with OASAS regarding adult OASAS certified SBIRT training
 - OASAS will provide informational support and will assist with trainers
 - Tower funding support
 - Planning for June or July training
- Meeting with Evergreen, Josh Lynch from Kaleida and ECMC EDs and Dr. Burstein to plan buprenorphine induction in ED implementation
 - Plan to start this weekend with Dr. Lynch and one other ED doc
 - Sunday-Thursday will give patient willing to start buprenorphine tel # to call Evergreen for same or next day appointment
 - Friday-Saturday will give patient 3 day buprenorphine Rx and will follow up at Evergreen
- March 15th Work Group conference call

- March 15th pain management workshop #6 @ Erie County Medical Society, sponsored by IHA
- March 18th, Buprenorphine Certification training open to Physicians, Physician Assistants and Nurse Practitioners hosted by Catholic Health System
 - Dr Paul Updike trainer
- Planning additional Buprenorphine Certification trainings this spring and summer for OB/GYN, and offices who care for adolescents.

Support needed? Continue to communicate with all Task Force groups to re evaluate projects, and support efforts as needed.